

**VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE**

The Paragraph beginning at line 4 of page 1 has been amended as follows:

The present application is a continuation of U.S. Patent Application Serial Number 08/974,549 filed November 19, 1997, Patent Number 6,166,178, which is a continuation-in-part application of U.S. Patent Application Serial Number 08/915,503, filed August 14, 1997, abandoned, and a continuation-in-part application of U.S. Patent Application Serial Number 08/912,951, filed August 14, 1997, and a continuation-in-part application of U.S. Patent Application Serial Number 08/911,312, filed , filed August 14, 1997, all three of which are continuation-in-part applications of U.S. Patent Application Serial Number 08/854,050, filed May 9, 1997 which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Patent Application Serial Number 08/851,843, filed May 6, 1997, Patent Number 6,093,809, which is a continuation-in-part application of U.S. Patent Application Serial Number 08/846,017, filed April 25, 1997, abandoned, which is a continuation-in-part application of U.S. Patent Application Serial Number 08/844,419, filed April [19, 1996] 18, 1997, abandoned, which is a continuation-in-part application of U.S. Patent Application Serial Number 08/724,643, filed on October 1, 1996, abandoned. This application also claims priority to Patent Convention Treaty Patent Application Serial No.: PCT/US97/17885 and to Patent Convention Treaty Patent Application Serial No.: PCT/US97/17618, both filed in the U.S. Receiving Office on October 1, 1997. Each of the aforementioned applications is explicitly incorporated herein by reference in its entirety and for all purposes. This application also incorporates by reference copending U.S. Patent Application Serial Number 08/974,584 [\_\_\_\_\_] [“Telomerase Reverse Transcriptase,” attorney docket no. 015389-002950]], filed November 19, 1997, in its entirety and for all purposes.